## Contact

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## Top Skills

Matlab

Structural Engineering

Civil Engineering

## Certifications

**WHMIS** 

Working at Heights

P.Eng

#### Honors-Awards

George Cooper Entrance Scholarship

Lester Bowles Pearson Scholarship

E.W.R. Steacie Scholarship

Clarence C. Gibson Scholarship

Vered Foundation Scholarship

#### **Publications**

OPTIMIZATION OF A POLYGONAL HOLLOW STRUCTURAL STEEL SECTION IN THE ELASTIC REGION

COMPARATIVE EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION OF THE EFFECTS OF LOCAL BUCKLING ON POLYGONAL AND RECTANGULAR HOLLOW STRUCTURAL SECTIONS

Time and Frequency Domain Analyses of the Hualien Large-Scale Seismic Test

Detection of local buckling in thinwalled hollow structural steel sections using fibre optic and strain gauge sensors

Comparison of the moment rotation capacities of rectangular and polygonal hollow sections

# John K.

Engineering | Finance | Assistant Professor | Research Canada

## Summary

- Doctor of Philosophy in Structural Engineering. My research focuses on how to minimize local buckling in thin-walled hollow sections via experimental tests completed at Queen's University.
- Master's of Applied Science Degree in Structural Engineering. My research focused on the seismic analysis of a reinforced concrete nuclear power plant structure using the time and frequency domain analysis methods, and was completed in collaboration with Sargent and Lundy LLC, Boston, Chicago.
- Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering at Carleton University with numerous awards for academic success.
- Worked as an engineering intern with the National Research council of Canada and tasks included design and testing of building envelopes.
- Well developed problem solving, organizational and communication skills exhibited through the completion of six placements as a Teaching Assistant at Carleton University, University of Toronto and Queen's University.
- Acquired and applied skills in graphical design and finite element modeling using programs such as ANSYS, SAP, AutoCAD, MIDAS GTS, OpenSees, FORTRAN and Pro Engineer and an avid user of Visual C++, Visual Basic Applications, Microsoft Office Applications, Maple, Tcl/Tk and MATLAB.
- Design Codes: CISC S16-10, NBCC 2010, CSA A23.3

# Experience

Lancaster Investment Management
Machine Learning Engineer
March 2024 - Present (8 months)
S&P Global Market Intelligence Integration

Loyalist College
Assistant Professor
August 2021 - Present (3 years 3 months)
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Ontario, Canada

Deterministic Models and Optimization, Business, Finance, FinTech, Organisational Behaviour, Blockchain and Tokenisation in the Real Estate Industry

## Ankor Engineering Systems Ltd.

11 years 1 month

#### Director

March 2020 - Present (4 years 8 months)

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

## Structural Engineer

October 2013 - March 2020 (6 years 6 months)

Toronto, Canada Area

#### Main Projects:

- a) Trump Tower and U Condominium:
- Design and analysis of the recently proposed polygonal HSS steel cantilever system for the Trump Tower and U-condominium, Toronto, CA.
- b) Sony Centre Building (L-Tower):
- Design, analysis and 3D modeling of the polygonal HSS steel cantilever and support system for L-Tower building, Toronto, CA
- Conducted inspections to verify the design specifications

#### okom wrks labs

Co-Founder and VP of Engineering

December 2021 - Present (2 years 11 months)

## The IBET PhD Project

#### Mentor

September 2021 - Present (3 years 2 months)

Canada

## Royal Military College of Canada/Collège militaire royal du Canada Assistant Professor

November 2021 - April 2024 (2 years 6 months)

Kingston, Ontario, Canada

Structural Theory - CEE 305

Strength of Materials - CEE 303

Queen's University - Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

3 years

Doctoral Researcher in Partnership with BioDiffusion Technologies Inc. June 2020 - May 2023 (3 years)

## **Assistant Professor**

January 2021 - April 2022 (1 year 4 months)

Lecturer - Applied Engineering Mechanics July 2020 - December 2020 (6 months) Canada

Panel Member - Let's Talk Race in STEM June 2020 - December 2020 (7 months)

Fourth Pig Green & Natural Construction
Engineer - Passive Home Designs in Collaboration with Tooketree
Passive Homes
July 2022 - March 2023 (9 months)

Structural Design and Project Management

## University of Oxford

2 years 1 month

Panel Member - Creating a Sustainable Platform August 2019 - July 2020 (1 year) Oxford, United Kingdom

Research Fellow: Smart Cities - Oxford Future of Real Estate Initiative May 2019 - October 2019 (6 months)

Oxford, England, United Kingdom

https://www.sbs.ox.ac.uk/news/property-tech-30-ground-breaking-report-looks-future-real-estate

Clubs and Oxford Business Networks Officer October 2018 - September 2019 (1 year) Oxford, United Kingdom

MBA Candidate, Saïd Business School-Distinction in Accounting, Business Finance and Firms & Markets
July 2018 - September 2019 (1 year 3 months)

Lea Manor High School Teacher February 2019 - March 2019 (2 months) Luton, United Kingdom

## Sargent & Lundy

Graduate - Structural and Geotechnical Engineering

August 2011 - November 2013 (2 years 4 months)

Toronto, Canada Area

Master's of Applied Science - Structural and Geotechnical Engineering. My research project involved the soil-structure interaction analysis of a nuclear power plant concrete structure in the frequency and time domain. In the nuclear and geotechnical industries, the frequency domain method is the preferred technique for soil-structure interaction analyses due to its ease of use. However, as was shown in this research study, the frequency domain is only an approximation and the time domain method is more accurate and thus should be the preferred method of analysis. The analyses were carried out in collaboration with Sargent and Lundy, LLC.

## University of Toronto

Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant

September 2011 - September 2013 (2 years 1 month)

Toronto, Canada Area

Taught Structural Analysis, and Structural Dynamics.

Tasks included creating and marking assignments, preparing worked examples, presenting examples to the class (chalk and talk), coordinating, and answering student questions.

#### Carleton University

Teachning Assistant and Research Assistant

July 2008 - August 2011 (3 years 2 months)

- Completed laboratory tests such as concrete compression and soil shear strength tests to study the evolution of pile-soil interface strength with time in soft clay.
- Taught second year Multivariable calculus and through the verbal interaction with the students, I greatly improved my communication skills.

National Research Council Canada / Conseil national de recherches Canada

Design of Building Envelopes

January 2010 - September 2010 (9 months)

Ottawa

- Carried out research on the design of building envelopes, the roofing system in particular.
- Completed tensile tests to determine the effect of dynamic wind loads on roofing systems and determined/verified the air permeance of common building materials.
- Designed and automated the data acquisition software for the SIGDERS research program.

# Halifax Regional Municipality Engineering Assistant September 2009 - January 2010 (5 months)

Halifax, Canada Area

- Conducted traffic data surveys within the city of Halifax to comply with the provincial safety regulations. This greatly improved my transportation and traffic knowledge and skills.
- Developed good fieldwork and teamwork skills and improved my information mapping, basic drafting, technical filing skills and learned how to effectively communicate with clients and other professionals.

# Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Environment Officer

April 2009 - September 2009 (6 months)

- Inspected chemical storage tanks and studied the effects of storage tank leaks/spills on the environment.
- Gained experience using the Storage Tank Regulations code, the National Fire Code and the Environmental Code of Practice for Aboveground and Underground Storage Tank Systems Containing Petroleum and Allied Petroleum Products.
- Reviewed several Storage Tank Engineering reports and gained experience in writing reports and engineering user manuals.

#### HDR

Volunteer work - Data collector and Analyst 2009 - 2009 (less than a year) Ottawa

- Analyst

# Education

Queen's University

Doctor of Philosophy - PhD, Structural Engineering · (2015 - 2020)

## University of Oxford

Master of Business Administration - MBA · (2018 - 2019)

## University of Toronto

Master's of Applied Science, Civil Engineering - Structural and Geotechnical Engineering  $\cdot$  (2011 - 2013)

## Carleton University

Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) - Co-op, Civil Engineering · (2006 - 2011)